

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Pentti Juhani Eromäki

Application No. 09/864,925

Filed: May 23, 2001

Confirmation No. 1687

For: PATTERN BLOCKS IN THE TREAD OF A
TYRE

Examiner: Steven D. Maki

Art Unit: 1733

Attorney Reference No. 4447-59072

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Total Claims	23	- 31*	= 0	\$18.00	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims	4	3**	= 1	\$86.00	\$ 86.00
Mult. Dep. Claims Fee (if not previously paid)				\$290.00	
One-month Extension of Time				\$110.00	
Two-month Extension of Time				\$420.00	
Three-month Extension of Time				\$950.00	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$86.00

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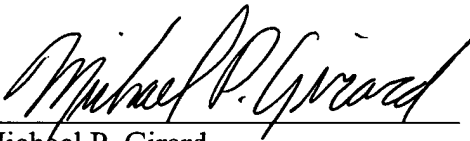
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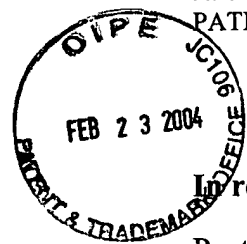
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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Supplementing the Response to Office Action filed on January 20, 2004, and further in response to the Office action dated October 22, 2003, Applicant responds as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 4.

Remarks begin on page 12.